

**Questions for Carol Biondi, JJCC/ Patricia Soung, CDF
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1. Why has the Los Angeles County Probation Department failed to spend a substantial portion of its JJCPA money on behalf of the youth in its care? Where are these unspent funds now? How can we ensure that this failure to use resources and provide services that our children in the probation system desperately need never happens again?
2. Where are the JJCPA School-Based Supervision funds being spent?
3. What percentage of JJCPA funds are used for administrative costs?
4. Why haven't JJCPA funds to community-based organizations been reallocated to reflect significant increases in the number of youth served? (see, e.g., InsideOUT Writers)
- 5) What is your opinion of the Probation Department's 236 program?
 - a. Do you have any concern about the significant increase in 236 cases? Please explain.
 - b. Do youth who do not satisfy 236 program requirements end up with cases filed by the District Attorney?
 - c. What is the actual length of 236 supervision? How is duration monitored?
 - d. Are youth supervised for 236 distinguished from those with 602 cases? Do they receive different services?
 - e. Do the DPOs supervising 236 cases receive any specialized training?
 - f. How can outcomes of 236 youth be evaluated in a meaningful way?

- g. In your opinion, is the LARRC an appropriate and effective risk assessment instrument for 236 cases, in light of current research and knowledge in the field?
- 6. What is the status of hiring a new JJCPA evaluator?
- 7. What role do you think a new Probation Oversight Commission should play with respect to oversight over JJCPA?